ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A switching device for an irrigation line comprising two flexible supply tubes (4a, 4b), each of these tubes connecting a flask containing an irrigation fluid to a handpiece by a peristaltic pump. Compression elements (34a, 34b) and a control (32) apply the compression elements alternatively to each of the flexible supply tubes (4a, 4b) in such a way as to squeeze and block the tube. The control (32) is designed such that, when one of the tubes is being squeezed in order to block the passage of the fluid through same, the other tube is not being squeezed so that the fluid can flow through that other tube.